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## **H.R. 299 – Lowell National Historical Park Boundary Adjustment Act**

### **Floor Situation**

H.R. 299 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Marty Meehan (D-MA) on January 5, 2007. The bill was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R. 299 is expected to be considered by the House on March 5, 2007.

*\*Note: An identical bill, Lowell National Historical Park Boundary Adjustment Act (H.R. 395), passed in the House by voice vote on July 25, 2006. H.R. 395 was received but never considered in the Senate.*

### **Summary**

H.R. 299 would modify the boundary of the Lowell National Historical Park by adding an additional five parcels (less than an acre) of land for completion of the Canal Way. The Canal Way is a linear park and walkway located along the 5.6 miles of the park's historical power canal system. Lowell National Historical Park is located in Lowell, Massachusetts.

### **Background**

Lowell National Historical Park and the Lowell Historic Preservation Commission were established by Congress in 1978. The legislation to create the park was sponsored by United States Senator and Lowell native Paul Tsongas.

### **Cost**

H.R. 299 has not been scored by the Congressional Budget Office.

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